

# United States Embassy Macedonia

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### **[Obama Discusses Prospects for Progress at UNGA](#)**

24 Sept- Obama focused his remarks on 3 themes: civil war in Syria & use of chemical weapons by the Assad regime, potential for diplomatic engagement with Iran, & revival of peace talks between Israelis & Palestinians.

**ALSO:** [Story](#)



### **[U.S. Assistance for School Renovations](#)**

Ambassador Wohlers and Major General Cray joined USAID's Mission Director, Jim Stein, at the Dimitar Miladinov primary school last week to celebrate the renovation of 23 classrooms. The renovation project is part of USAID's Interethnic Integration in Education Project ...

**ALSO:** [Photos](#)



### **[Vermont TAG Gives Awards to Soldiers](#)**

Major General Steven Cray, the Adjutant General (TAG) of the Vermont National Guard, visited the Army of Macedonia last week to award medals to 79 soldiers who deployed with the Vermont National Guard 86th Infantry Brigade Combat Team in Afghanistan.

**ALSO:** [Photos](#)



### **A Successful Blood and Food Drive!**

On September 11, the U.S. Embassy partnered with the Skopje Red Cross and the Institute of Transfusiology to collect blood, food, and financial donations for the citizens of Macedonia. Ambassador Wohlers was joined by General Steven Cray, Adjutant General of Vermont, and Red Cross Secretary General Mr. Sait Saiti...



### **Macedonia's National Day**

Secretary Kerry (September 5, 2013): "On behalf of President Obama and the people of the United States, I congratulate the people of Macedonia as you celebrate your Independence Day on September 8." ... [Video by Embassy Community.](#) »



### **"Free Media: The Cornerstone of Democracy"**

OP-ED by the Honorable Paul D. Wohlers: "Many issues and perspectives must be considered before imposing significant change upon anything as crucial to a free society as the media; the very heart of democracy is at stake." ...

### **2015 Diversity Immigrant Visa Lottery Program, September 30, 2013**

The U.S. Embassy in Skopje, Macedonia, is pleased to announce that registration for the 2015 Diversity Immigrant Visa ("Green Card") lottery...

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